

October 2019

ANIMAL SERVICES REPORT



Animal Services News

- The live outcome rate for October was 98.6 percent.
- A total of 802 animals were adopted (440 dogs, 362 cats).
- A total of 260 dogs and cats were returned to their owners (RTOs).

Adoption Promotions

- October 24 – November 3 was the Howl-o-Ween adoption promotion and offered waived adoption fees for all animals at the shelter. A total of 344 animals were adopted; 153 cats and 191 dogs.

Animal Protection

- Animal Protection Officers (APOs):
 - implanted 15 microchips
 - returned 97 pets in the field
 - impounded 85 injured animals
 - transferred 57 animals to Austin Wildlife Rescue
 - entered 280 rabies exposure reports
 - Animal Services submits specimens to the state health laboratory to test for rabies. Eleven specimens tested positive; 10 bats, and one raccoon.
- Wildlife APO received 63 total coyote complaints:
 - 27 sightings
 - 17 wild sick reports of mange
 - 7 wild speak
 - 5 incidents
 - 3 observation
 - 2 encounters
 - 1 wild injured coyote transported to wildlife rescue
 - 1 livestock incident
- Out of 63 coyote-related reports, 35 fell within the reported behavior types (sighting, encounter, and incident).
- Incidents: Pets and livestock were a factor in all of the verified activities
 - Two incidents included a coyote coming into a fenced backyard, injuring a dog
 - One incident included a coyote suspected of killing an unattended cat.
- Encounters: Pets were a factor in all verified activities



- One encounter included a coyote that displayed flushing behavior with a large dog.
- One encounter included a coyote and dog that interacted in a fenced backyard. The coyote was present when the dog was let outside, but the citizen did not see any contact between the two.

Volunteer, Foster and Rescue Programs

- A total of 363 volunteers donated 4,742 service hours; 16 groups of volunteers donated 336 hours with their "Giving Group" to the Center; 20 community service restitution volunteers contributed 276 hours toward animal care tasks.
- Volunteer Coordinators hosted nine New Volunteer Orientations, introducing 165 individuals to our organization and volunteer opportunities.
- A total of 310 families provided foster care
- A total of 144 animals were adopted directly from foster care.
- There are 623 approved fosters in GivePulse.
- 90 new foster applications were processed.
- There are currently 476 animals in 274 different foster homes.
- 567 live outcomes were attributed to 32 AAC partners:
 - 330 cats (includes 89 SNR)
 - 227 dogs
 - 10 "other"
 - 8 chickens
 - 1 rat
 - 1 owl

